



0416-04

1725

EXPRESS MAIL CERTIFICATE OF MAILING

Express Mail Certificate No. EV283924077US

I hereby certify that the *attached* correspondence comprising:

1. Preliminary Amendment (13 pages), 2. Return Postcard

is being deposited with the United States Postal Service as "Express Mail Post Office to Addressee" addressed to:

Mail Stop RCE  
Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

on April 14, 2004

Kathy E. Raymond  
Kathy E. Raymond

PATENT

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant :	Jim J. Chang, et al.	Docket No. :	IL-10719
Serial No. :	09/781,073	Art Unit :	1725
Filed :	02/08/2001	Examiner :	Len Tran
For :	HIGH PRECISION, RAPID LASER HOLE DRILLING		

REPLACEMENT PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS

This is a response to the Office Action mailed 04/05/2004 which was a "Notice of Non-Compliant Amendment" with respect to Applicants' amendment document mailed March 23, 2004, please accept this Replacement Preliminary Amendment. This is a preliminary amendment in a RCE Application. It comprises a response to the Office Action mailed January 6, 2004 in the parent application. Prior to examination, please amend the above-identified application as follows: